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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

P.A. Duffy

LALANNE et al

Serial No.: 09/980,054

Group: 1645

Filed: February 15, 2002

For: NOVEL...THESE GENES

475 Park Avenue South New York, N.Y. 10016 September 10, 2004

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the notice of August 31, 2004 relating to the above application,
Applicants are submitting herewith a revised amendment which is a complete listing of
the claims. Also enclosed is a copy of the non-compliant amendment notice. Therefore,
Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the remarks presented
therein.

Respectfully submitted, Muserlian, Lucas and Mercanti

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AMENDMENT

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Responsive to the office action of August 31, 2004, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.